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April 25, 2012

Scott Heemstra  
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RE: 2011 Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report (the 2011 Groundwater Report)  
Vogel Paint & Wax Superfund Site, Maurice, Iowa (the Vogel Site)

Dear Scott:

Thank you for the above-referenced annual report for the Vogel disposal site south of Maurice. We concur with the conclusions of the 2011 Groundwater Report with the clarification that, while the water treatment plant has been off for 7 years, some of the recovery wells were utilized for phytoremediation irrigation through the 2009 growing season. We also agree with the report's recommendations and hereby approve the 2011 Groundwater Report.

In addition to the approved change from quarterly sampling to semi-annual sampling, we approve annual sampling of monitoring wells GMW-17, 18 and 34 in lieu of semi-annual sampling. This department is satisfied that the stream sampling conducted in response to a recommendation in the 2009 Superfund Five-year Review has sufficiently demonstrated no adverse impact on the stream from the Vogel site. Therefore, stream sampling may be discontinued. Please submit a table with the revised groundwater monitoring schedule.

We encourage Vogel to proceed with the on-site and off-site environmental covenants as recommended in the 2011 Groundwater Report, if not sooner. We will also propose to EPA that an explanation of significant differences (ESD) to the Record of Decision change the point of compliance to the off-site property with the environmental covenant.

Please contact me with any questions or comments.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert D. Drustrup", written over a white background.

Robert D. Drustrup  
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cc: Cal Lundberg, Supervisor DNR Contaminated Sites Section,  
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